

**ABSTRACT:**

A portable handheld computer or input device (Fig 8) (10) that allows rapid data entry and better screen (12) (Fig 13) real estate by putting the primary input keys (38), (40) on the back side. Recessed side areas (Figs 8, 13) (22), (24) and inserts (50), (52) allow easy positioning of the hands for automatic alignment to a "home row" set of back side keys (38), (40). Certain keys and other input can be put on the back side, such as a split QWERTY keyboard (38), (40) and mouse device, while other keys can be put on the front, such as a numeric keypad (16), cursor movement and control input (20), Shift, Space, Backspace, Enter keys (18) and special keys (14).